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SUBJECT: ATTACK ON ZAIRE: CONSULTATIONS WITH FRENCH

REF: PARIS 8947

1. IN REFTEL JOURNIAC SUGGESTS THAT US SHOULD ASSIST ZAIRE IN SHIPPING MATERIEL AND ARMS FROM KINSHASA TO THE SHABA. WE ARE NOT PREPARED TO PROVIDE SUCH AID. WE ARE, HOWEVER, PROVIDING INDIRECT ASSISTANCE BY HELPING REPAIR ZAIRE'S C-130 FLEET.
2. IT WOULD BE USEFUL, HOWEVER, FOR OUR PLANNING PURPOSES TO KNOW HOW WELL OR POORLY THE EXISTING "AIR BRIDGE" IS OPERATING. IS LACK OF INTERNAL AIR COMMUNICATION A SERIOUS BOTTLENECK TO OPERATIONS? ARE THE BELGIANS HELPING OUT IN ORGANIZING LOGISTIC SUPPORT?

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3. ONE OF THE CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRIES CONCERNED THE DELIVERY OF OUR SUPPLIES. DO WE HAVE ANY MEANS OF KNOWING WHETHER OUR SUPPLIES HAVE REACHED THE FIGHTING FORCES, OR THE C-130 MAINTENANCE CREWS, OR TO WHAT EXTENT DIVERSION HAS TAKEN PLACE?
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